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SUBJECT: DECREASE IN NOVEMBER UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

1. STATISTICS CANADA RELEASED ON DECEMBER 7 LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR NOVEMBER, SHOWING SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE DECREASED BY 0.3 PERCENTAGE POINTS TO 7.3 PERCENT. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED LEVEL OF EMPLOYMENT DROPPED IN NOVEMBER BY 14,000 TO 9,579,000, BUT LEVEL OF UNEMPLOYMENT DECREASED BY 30,000 TO 754,000.

2. PROVINCIALLY, EMPLOYMENT LEVEL DECREASED IN ONTARIO BY 28,000 AND IN NEWFOUNDLAND BY 5,000, WHILE INCREASING BY 8,000 IN SASKATCHEWAN, BY 7,000 IN ALBERTA AND BY 4,000 IN MANITOBA. OTHER PROVINCES SHOWED LITTLE OR NO CHANGE.

3. SEASONALLY ADJUSTED UNEMPLOYMENT RATE DECREASED BY 0.7 PERCENTAGE POINTS TO 4.2 PERCENT FOR MEN 25 YEARS AND OVER AND BY 0.4 PERCENTAGE POINTS TO 6.5 PERCENT FOR WOMEN 25 YEARS AND OVER. RATE INCREASED BY 0.3 PERCENTAGE POINTS TO 13.6 PERCENTAGE FOR MEN 15 TO 24 YEARS AND BY 0.7 PERCENTAGE POINTS TO 13.3 FOR WOMEN 15 TO 24 YEARS.

4. BY PROVINCE, UNEMPLOYMENT RATES IN NOVEMBER WERE 14.8 IN NEWFOUNDLAND, 11.2 IN NOVA SCOTIA, 11.0 IN NEW BRUNSWICK, 10.1 IN PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 9.8 IN QUEBEC, 7.3 IN BRITISH COLUMBIA, 6.2 IN ONTARIO, 4.6 IN MANITOBA.

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3.4 IN SASKATCHEWAN, AND 3.5 IN ALBERTA.

5. UNADJUSTED LEVEL OF EMPLOYMENT IN NOVEMBER WAS 9,592,000 COMPARED TO 9,471,000 IN SAME MONTH OF 1975. LEVEL OF UNEMPLOYMENT WAS 708,000 COMPARED TO 686,000 IN NOVEMBER 1975, AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATE WAS 6.9 PERCENT COMPARED TO 6.8 A YEAR AGO.
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